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Sir:

Enclosed herewith are copies of the British documents that were listed on the Form PTO-1449 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on August 25, 2003.

The Applicants have to date not been able to obtain a copy of Italian Patent No. 369930, listed on the Form PTO-1449 filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on August 25, 2003. However, the Examiner is advised that this Italian Patent was cited, but not relied upon, by the Examiner during prosecution of U. S. Patent Application No. 08/777,577 (now U. S. Patent No. 5,951,401) in the Office Action dated September 9, 1997. Accordingly, a copy of the Italian Patent can be found in the file of the '577 application.

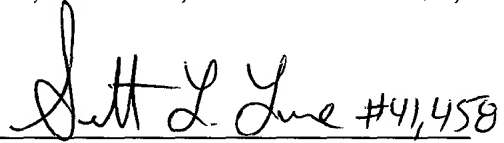
The PTO is requested to make these documents of record in the file of the present application and to return the initialed Form PTO-1449 to the undersigned.

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Respectfully submitted,

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